

House File 433 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing that certain programs offered by regents
2 institutions must be open to all students and including
3 effective date provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 262.9, Code 2011, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 36. *a.* Develop a policy requiring each
4 institution of higher education under the control of the
5 board which offers a learning communities program to offer
6 each student enrolled in the institution the opportunity to
7 participate in the program.

8 *b.* For purposes of this subsection, "*learning communities*
9 *program*" means a program pursuant to which groups of students,
10 based on shared career or academic goals, engage in any of the
11 following activities together:

12 (1) Enrolling in certain courses.

13 (2) Sharing living accommodations.

14 (3) Receiving mentoring, tutoring, or career guidance.

15 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect July 1, 2013.

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill directs the board of regents to develop a policy
18 requiring each institution of higher education under the
19 control of the board which offers a learning communities
20 program wherein, based on common career or academic goals,
21 groups of students engage in certain activities together,
22 including enrolling in certain courses, sharing living
23 accommodations, or receiving mentoring, tutoring, or career
24 guidance, to offer each student enrolled in the institution the
25 opportunity to participate in the program.

26 The bill is effective July 1, 2013.